



***Annual Report***

***of the***

***Town and Town School District***

***of***



**STRAFFORD**

**VERMONT**



***January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956***





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## WARNING FOR TOWN MEETING

(As Anticipated January 10, 1957)

The legal voters of the Town of Strafford are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town House in Strafford on Tuesday, the 5th day of March, 1957, at 10:00 A. M., to transact the following articles:

- Art. 1. To elect a Moderator.
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- Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the Auditors.
- Art. 4. To vote upon the question: Shall the Selectmen be empowered to appoint one or two Road Commissioners, or shall one or two Road Commissioners be elected by ballot?
- Art. 5. To elect all other necessary Town Officers.
- Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the Vermont Statutes relating to the collection of taxes by its Treasurer, together with the time of payment of the same, and the rate of discount and fee for collection allowed.
- Art. 7. To see how much money the Town will raise to support the poor, defray ordinary expenses, and bridge and highway expenses, under the direction of the Selectmen.
- Art. 8. To see how much money the Town will raise for the maintenance of back roads, or unselected roads.
- Art. 9. To see how much money the Town will raise for selected highways.
- Art. 10. To see how much money the Town will raise for patrol and resurfacing to take advantage of the State Aid laws.
- Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money during the year when necessary, to properly conduct the business of the Town.

**WARNING — (Continued)**

- Art. 12. To vote on the following questions: Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this Town? Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this Town?
- Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Strafford Firemen's Association, Inc., and if so, how much?
- Art. 14. To transact any other legal business.

GEORGE K. BROWN,  
F. L. LEWIS,  
FRANK BROWN,

Selectmen.

**WARNING FOR TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**

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- Art. 4. To transact any other legal business.

ELMER F. ROBINSON,  
JESSIE S. MACLAY,  
RALPH R. STEVENS,

School Directors.

## TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator ..... George I. Varney

Clerk and Treasurer ..... L. Irene Chandler

### Selectmen:

George K. Brown,            F. L. Lewis,            Frank Brown

Road Commissioner ..... Gile S. Kendall

Permanent Highway Commissioner ..... Gile S. Kendall

Overseer ..... Selectmen

Town Grand Juror ..... Charles H. Brown

Constable ..... Gile S. Kendall

### Listers:

Frank H. Brown,    Gile S. Kendall,    Kendall E. Jordan

### School Directors:

Elmer F. Robinson,    Jessie S. Maclay,    Ralph R. Stevens

### Auditors:

Robert H. Ordway, Clara C. Campbell, S. Walker Eastburn

### Trustees of Public Funds:

William B. Mobus, C. William Berghorn, Rosa B. Tyson

Agent to Deed Town Real Estate ..... Frank Brown

Town Agent ..... Delwin I. Preston

## Appointive Officers

Pound Keeper ..... R. K. Prescott

### Fence Viewers:

George K. Brown, Kendall E. Jordan, Delwin I. Preston

### Surveyors of Wood and Lumber:

Ralph H. Perkins, William B. Mobus

Fire Warden (appointed by State) ..... Richard W. Root

Fire Chief (elected by Firemen's Association),  
Richard W. Root

## **TOWN AGENT'S REPORT**

I respectfully report there is no litigation pending for or against the Town of Strafford as of December 31, 1956.

DELWIN I. PRESTON, Town Agent.

## **PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN**

### **List Furnished by Selectmen and Not Included in Assets**

Sawyer Forest	\$ 500.00
Community Building	1,500.00
Town Garage	400.00
Road Machine	100.00
Three Snow Plows	500.00
Chevrolet Truck	750.00
Chevrolet Truck — panel body	750.00
Dodge Roller	200.00
Tractor and Plow	3,000.00
Grader	4,500.00
New Sander	300.00
Power Loader	7,000.00

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## **AUDITORS' REPORT**

In accordance with Section 3593, V. S. as amended, we have verified the existence of stated cash balances, and examined the accounts and records of town officers, and to the best of our knowledge the following financial statements and reports of receipts and disbursements present the financial position of the town as of December 31, 1956, and an accurate record of funds handled in the year herein stated.

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# Report of the Town of Strafford, Vermont

## COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Two-Year Period Ending December 31, 1956

### Assets

	Dec. 31, '56	Dec. 31, '55
Balances :		
General Account	\$ 4,316.63	\$ 2,679.97
Library Account	15.28	13.16
Permanent Highway Account	750.87	185.55
Road Equipment Account	2,620.63	1,295.29
State Aid Road Account		100.00
Town Highway Account		607.91
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	\$ 7,703.41	\$ 4,881.88
Delinquent Taxes	1,839.16	2,421.62
Overdraft, Community Building Account	35.34	62.89
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	\$ 9,577.91	\$ 7,366.39

### Liabilities

Interest Bearing Orders Outstand- ing	\$20,000.00	\$15,000.00
Promissory Notes *	7,000.00	
Library Account	15.28	13.16
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	\$ 27,015.28	\$ 15,013.16
Deficit	17,437.37	7,646.77
Increase in Deficit	9,790.60	

\* Will be paid by earnings of Equipment Account.

## STATEMENT OF TAXES RAISED — 1956

### Taxes Levied:

Real Estate — \$434,785.00 at 1%	\$ 4,347.85
Personal Property — \$64,042.00 at 1%	640.42
Total General Property	\$ 4,988.27
Polls, 300 at \$1.00	300.00
Total Grand List	\$ 5,288.27

### Taxes Billed:

General Property — \$4,988.27 at \$7.95	\$39,656.75
Polls — 300 at \$7.95	2,385.00
Old Age Assistance — 300 at \$5.00	1,500.00
	\$ 43,541.75

### Accounted For As Follows:

#### Collections:

General Property	\$38,635.38	
Polls and Old Age Assistance (278)	3,600.10	\$42,235.48

#### Delinquents:

General Property	\$ 1,022.92	
Polls (22)	283.95	1,306.87
		\$43,542.35
Fractional Differences (Less)		.60
		\$ 43,541.75

# **TAXES VOTED AND DISTRIBUTION OF COLLECTION**

Account	Rate	Voted
General:		
Town	\$ 2.00	\$10,576.54
Firemen's Association, Inc.	.15	793.24
Highway:		
Town Highway	.30	1,586.48
Permanent Highway	.90	4,759.45
School:	4.60	24,326.04
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	\$ 7.95	\$42,041.75
Old Age Assistance	5.00	1,500.00
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	\$ 12.95	\$ 43,541.75

# TREASURER'S REPORT

## L. Irene Chandler, Treasurer

### Receipts

		Town Fund	Town School District Fund
Balance, January 1, 1956:			
General Account	\$ 2,679.97		
Library Account	13.16		
Permanent Highway Account	285.55		
Road Equipment Account	1,295.29		
School Account			\$ 12,013.90
Town Highway Account	607.91		
	<hr/> \$ 4,881.88		
Equipment Account:			
Other Towns	\$ 45.00		
Permanent Highway Account	2,772.80		
Private Users	26.75		
Town Highway Account	3,012.20		
Winter Highway Account	997.35		
	<hr/> 6,854.10		
Loans:			
Barrett Memorial Hall Trustees	\$ 6,500.00		
First National Bank of White River Junction	20,000.00		12,000.00
Morrill Memorial Library Trustees	4,500.00		
Newton Fund Trustees	4,000.00		
	<hr/> 35,000.00		
Miscellaneous:			
Gifts:			
Joseph T. Maclay	\$ 165.00		
Newton Fund Trustees			400.00
Interest on Morrill Bonds	113.80		
Licenses:			
Dog	300.75		
Liquor	75.00		
Material and Labor, Private Users	593.20		
Refunds	189.50		
Sale of Morrill Bonds	3,400.00		
Scale Account	2.70		
	<hr/> 4,839.95		
State of Vermont:			
Education — State Aid			14,315.79

## TREASURER'S REPORT — (Continued)

		Town Fund	Town School District Fund
State Aid to Highways	\$ 22,905.77		
Reimbursement on Siren	401.56		
Welfare	42.55		
Winter Maintenance	1,841.75		
	<hr/>	25,191.63	
Taxes:			
Current	\$ 42,235.48		
Delinquent	1,889.33		
	<hr/>	44,124.81	
Lease Land Rent			85.22
Tax Transfers:			
1956 Taxes for Schools			24,326.04
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		\$120,892.37	\$ 63,186.61

### Disbursements

Library Account	\$ 207.88		
Permanent Highway Account	19,077.62		
Poor Account	3,673.80		
Road Equipment Account	5,528.76		
School Directors' Account			\$ 52,248.68
Tax Transfer to School	24,326.04		
Selectmen's Account	43,170.10		
Town Highway Account	10,996.11		
Winter Road Account	6,208.65		
	<hr/>	\$113,188.96	
Balance, December 31, 1956:			
Library Account	\$ 15.28		
General Account	4,316.63		
Permanent Highway Account	750.87		
Road Equipment Account	2,620.63		
	<hr/>	7,703.41	
School Account			10,937.93
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$120,892.37	\$ 63,186.61

**TOWN INTEREST BEARING ORDERS OUTSTAND-  
ING, DECEMBER 31, 1956**

Barrett Memorial Hall Trustees	\$ 6,500.00
First National Bank of White River Junction	5,000.00
Morrill Memorial Library Trustees	4,500.00
Newton Fund Trustees	4,000.00
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	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>

**TOWN ENDOWMENTS**

**Selectmen, Trustees**

James S. Morrill Fund (Income to be  
used for Permanent Highway pur-  
poses) :

U. S. Government Bonds	\$ 3,000.00	
Dartmouth Savings Bank	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,300.00

James S. Morrill Fund (Income to be  
used for Community Building) :

U. S. Government Bonds	\$ 1,000.00	
Dartmouth Savings Bank	100.00	
	<hr/>	1,100.00
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		<b>\$ 4,400.00</b>

## SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

### Analysis of Expenditures

#### Bridge and Culvert Repair:

Lumber for Bridges	\$	750.00
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#### Expense of Town Dump:

Labor	\$	19.75
Moving Bulldozer		11.50
Publishing Notices to Public		12.60
Signs to Post at Dump		6.50
Wire Fencing		20.70
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		71.05

#### Fire Protection:

15c on Grand List to Strafford		
Firemen's Association	\$	491.68
Fighting Fires		116.50
Installing Siren		165.00
Siren		703.12
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		1,476.30

#### Insurance:

Community Building	\$	30.96
Road Equipment		230.84
Town Hall		81.10
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		342.90

#### Indebtedness Payments:

Barrett Memorial Hall Trustees	\$	6,500.00
First National Bank of White		
River Junction		15,000.00
Morrill Memorial Library Trustees		4,500.00
Newton Fund Trustees		4,000.00
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		30,000.00

#### Interest Payments:

Barrett Memorial Hall Trustees	\$	195.00
First National Bank of White		
River Junction		277.18
Morrill Memorial Library Trustees		135.00
Newton Fund Trustees		120.00
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		727.18

## SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT — (Continued)

### Miscellaneous:

Express	\$	12.25	
Labor		21.00	
Legal Fees		135.51	
Mileage		14.70	
Morrill Memorial Library		100.00	
Public Health		17.00	
Rent of Creamery Building		198.75	
Roofing and Nails		21.63	
Truck Charge		1.25	
Truck Registrations		20.00	
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			542.09

### Municipal Property:

Care of Clock	\$	25.00	
Cleaning Town Hall		33.18	
Labor on Clock		12.00	
Mowing Common		59.25	
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			129.43

Printing and Office Supplies		333.49	
Repairs to Equipment		1,321.39	
Repurchase of Morrill Bonds		3,024.63	
Social Security		178.34	

### Taxes:

County Tax	\$	158.99	
Old Age Assistance		1,350.00	
Vermont Agricultural Extension Service		204.23	
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			1,713.22

### Telephone and Electricity:

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	\$	759.96	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		90.27	
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			850.23

### Town Officers' Services:

Auditors	\$	161.65	
Constable		94.00	
Listers		315.00	
Selectmen		150.00	
Town Clerk and Treasurer		989.20	
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			1,709.85
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			\$ 43,170.10

## SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

### List of Payees and Amounts

Auditors	\$ 161.65
Barrett Memorial Hall Trustees	6,695.00
Bassingthwaighte, G. E.	12.00
Benjamin, Donald	10.50
Benjamin, George	10.50
Brown, Frank	50.00
Brown, Frank H.	105.00
Brown, George	50.00
Central Vermont Public Service Corporation	759.96
Constable	94.00
County Treasurer	158.99
Deane, David G.	703.12
Eastern States Farmers' Exchange	21.63
Fire Fighters	116.50
First National Bank of White River Junction	18,301.81
Gay's Express	12.25
Hewson, Nancy J.	14.00
Hill - Martin Corp.	1,321.39
Jones, Thomas L.	79.00
Jordan, Kendall E.	105.00
Kendall, Gile	119.70
Kendall, Jessica	16.59
Lewis, F. L.	70.70
Little, R. H.	6.50
Maclay, Joseph T.	165.00
Montpelier Savings Bank & Trust Co.	4.39
Morrill Memorial Library Trustees	4,735.00
Motor Vehicle Department	20.00
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co.	47.30
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.	90.27
Newton Fund Trustees	4,120.00
Perkins, Delia	16.59
Physicians	2.25
Prescott, Richard K.	750.00
Putnam, Dr. W. F.	.75
Sleeper, Milo L.	320.60
Smith, Wesley G.	11.50
State Treasurer	1,528.34
St. Johnsbury Trucking Co.	1.25
Strafford Firemen's Association	491.68
The Chelsea Job Press	18.94

## SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT — (*Continued*)

The Haggett Press	234.44
Thurber, E. W.	26.50
Town Clerk and Treasurer	1,038.42
Town of Strafford (Taxes on Creamery in lieu of Rent)	198.75
Valley News	12.60
Vermont Agricultural Extension Service	204.23
Wilson & Keyser	135.51
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	\$ 43,170.10

## POOR ACCOUNT

### Analysis of Disbursements

#### Clothing and Groceries:

Varney, George I.	\$ 145.53
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Department of Social Welfare	1,547.55
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#### Hospital and Surgical:

Alice Peck Day Memorial Hos- pital	\$ 233.00	
Barre City Hospital	63.00	
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital	477.54	
Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hos- pital	586.05	
	<hr/>	1,359.59

#### Medical:

Chelsea Health Center	\$ 28.10	
Goodwin, Dr. George V.	7.50	
Hitchcock Clinic	100.00	
Lyme Medical Associates	307.48	
McIntire, Dr. George	7.50	
	<hr/>	450.58

**POOR ACCOUNT — (Continued)**

**Probate Court:**

Brock, Judge Frank N.		27.55
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**Room and Board:**

Friot, Helen J.	\$ 55.50	
Cummings, Mrs. Florence	87.50	
	<hr/>	143.00
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		\$ 3,673.80

**Reimbursements**

Individuals	\$ 179.50	
State Treasurer, Welfare Funds	42.55	
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		\$ 3,451.75

## VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

### Montpelier, Vermont

This is our twenty-first annual report to the citizens of the Town of Strafford on State payments in your municipality of various types of assistance and welfare during 1956.

The total number of recipients in the State has remained reasonably stable for some years. The number aided in the Totally and Permanently Disabled program has continued to increase. Old Age Assistance and Blind Assistance caseloads have declined. The impact of the Social Security Insurance programs are a continuing factor in the reduction of caseloads as an increasing number of our people attain a fully insured status. The towns and cities participated financially in two of the programs as indicated below. Administrative expenses for the four types of Public Assistance have always been among the lowest in the nation.

Old Age Assistance .....	\$ 6,670.00
Aid to the Blind .....	.00
Aid to Dependent Children * .....	2,295.00
Aid to the Disabled .....	2,380.00
Committed Children * * .....	2,529.06
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$13,874.06</b>

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,  
Commissioner.

\* One-eighth paid by the town or city unless family is non-settled.

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## WINTER ROAD ACCOUNT

### Analysis of Disbursements

#### Gas, Oil, Grease, Supplies:

Hartford Oil Co.	\$	42.55	
Prescott, R. K.		11.95	
Root, Richard		259.13	
Sargent Coal Co.		4.75	
Stone, Merrill, one cord Wood		16.00	
Varney, George I.		127.80	
		<hr/>	\$ 462.18

#### Paid to Equipment Account

997.35

#### Plowing, Sanding, Hauling, Maintenance:

Coburn, C. J.	\$	348.99	
Coburn, F. T.		76.25	
Coburn, Philip		11.75	
Colonial Sand & Gravel Co.		192.63	
Dezan, Joseph		10.35	
Druge, Frank		21.00	
Eastburn, S. W.		9.00	
Harrington, Howard		70.41	
Hayes, James		956.35	
Kendall, Dean		65.65	
Kendall, Gile		904.85	
Kendall, Theodore		10.00	
Perkins, Ralph		59.31	
Prescott, R. K.		399.55	
Reed, Marshall		4.00	
Smith, Myron		5.00	
Stone, Merrill		15.00	
Town of Tunbridge — thawing			
Culverts		12.85	
		<hr/>	3,172.94

## WINTER ROAD ACCOUNT — (Continued)

### Repairs and Parts:

Appalachian Sulphide Co.	\$	4.00	
Bailey Bros. — Parts		27.39	
Benjamin, Donald — Labor on Tractor		15.00	
Benjamin, George — Labor on Tractor and Truck		40.00	
Casellini - Venable Corp.		12.62	
Eastman's Garage		2.50	
Hill - Martin Corp.		54.75	
Petro Metal, Inc.		416.88	
Prescott, R. K.		186.65	
Reynolds & Son, Inc.		59.64	
Smith, Wesley		4.25	
		<hr/>	823.68

Salt			752.50
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			\$ 6,208.65

## ROAD EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

### Receipts

Unexpended Balance \$ 1,295.29

### Use of Equipment:

Other Towns	\$	45.00	
Permanent Highway		2,772.80	
Private Users		26.75	
Town Highway		3,012.20	
Winter Roads		997.35	
		<hr/>	6,854.10
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			\$ 8,149.39

## Disbursements

Checking Account Expense	\$	.50
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Gas and Oil:

Hartford Oil Co.	\$	240.13	
Kendall, Gile		2.00	
Kennedy's Garage		6.28	
Prescott, R. K.		1,452.75	
Root, Richard		30.54	
Smith, Wesley		3.88	
Varney, George I.		194.04	
			1,929.62

Labor:

Benjamin, Don	\$	10.50	
Benjamin, George		76.50	
Coburn, C. J.		20.25	
Coburn, Elwin		40.50	
Colby, A. J.		15.00	
Harrington, Howard		21.85	
Hayes, James		183.85	
Kendall, Gile S.		25.00	
Linton, James		9.25	
Reed, Marshall		17.00	
			419.70

Trucking Equipment:

Smith, Wesley		126.00
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Repairs and Supplies:

Appalachian Sulphides, Inc.	\$	13.92	
Arnolds' Garage		94.50	
Bailey Bros.		153.04	
Beane, Ray		590.00	
Casellini - Venable Corp.		825.95	
Eastman's Garage		249.52	
Hill - Martin Corp.		215.13	
Joe's Equipment Service		20.95	
Kelton's Motor, Inc.		20.44	
Kennedy's Garage		45.38	
Montgomery, Ward Co.		235.86	
Noble - Belisle		45.18	
Prescott, R. K.		173.10	
Reynolds & Son		95.52	

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Sherman Welding Co.	96.15	
Tracy's Garage	137.51	
Vermont Hardware	40.79	
	<hr/>	3,052.94
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		\$ 5,528.76
Balance		\$ 2,620.63

## TOWN HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

Gile S. Kendall, Commissioner

(For Town Highway Work, and Selected and Unselected Jobs)

### Receipts

Balance	\$ 607.91	
Other Towns	137.20	
Private Users	456.00	
Taxpayers, 30c on Grand List	1,586.48	
State Treasurer	8,208.52	
	<hr/>	\$ 10,996.11

### Disbursements

#### Labor:

Brown, Frank	\$ 23.75
Coburn, C. J.	52.20
Cole, George	29.70
Dezan, Joseph	210.80
Durkee, Clifford	9.90
Doyle, Martin	9.90
Druge, F. C.	430.00
Fellows, Walter	7.50
Eastburn, S. W.	54.00
Hanchett, R. J.	14.00
Harrington, Howard	193.20
Hayes, James	240.15
Kendall, Dean	193.15
Kendall, G. S.	736.25

## TOWN HIGHWAY ACCOUNT — (Continued)

Perkins, R. H.	189.75	
Reed, M. J.	496.45	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,890.70

### Material:

#### Gravel:

Brooks, W. I., 608 yds. at 10c	\$	60.80
Goodell, Perry, 1,570 yds. at 10c		157.00
Ward, R. W., 827 yds. at 6c		49.62
Southworth, Duke, 86 yds. at 10c		8.60

#### Miscellaneous:

Hanchett, Ralph, 18 posts	18.00	
Kendall, G. S., one ton Hay	15.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	620.39	
	<hr/>	929.41

### Trucks:

Barnaby, Forrest	\$	39.60	
Brooks, W. I.		39.60	
Coburn, C. J.		16.65	
Kendall, G. S.		595.40	
Nichols, Guy		123.20	
Orr, Don		72.50	
Prescott, R. K.		913.35	
Sumner, Maurice		101.00	
Whitney, Warren		39.60	
		<hr/>	1,940.90

### Use of Bulldozer:

Malmquist, Walter	26.25
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### Use of Equipment:

Bulldozer	\$	614.25	
Grader		474.00	
Loader		438.00	
Truck No. 1		308.10	
Truck No. 2		343.85	
		<hr/>	2,178.20
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			\$ 7,965.46

## SELECTED ROADS

### Analysis of Disbursements

#### Equipment and Material

Brooks, Wilmer, gravel and loader	\$	16.80	
Equipment Account, use of			
Equipment		199.80	
Gibson, John, gravel		4.80	
Prescott, R. K.		2.00	
Sargent, Frank		12.00	
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	\$		235.40

#### Labor:

Davis, Norris	\$	10.00	
Hayes, James		86.25	
Kendall, Gile S.		108.75	
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			205.00
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	\$		440.40

## UNSELECTED ROADS

### Analysis of Expenditures

#### Labor:

Coburn, C. J.	\$	25.65	
Dezan, Joseph		15.00	
Druge, F. C.		110.00	
Durkee, John E.		22.50	
Eastburn, S. W.		57.00	
Eastman, Fred		3.00	
Harrington, H. W.		39.50	
Hayes, James		595.05	
Hoyt, P. H.		13.00	
Kendall, Dean		41.45	
Kendall, Gile		664.90	
Kendall, T. R.		66.00	
Moses, G. M.		10.95	
Reed, M. J.		65.65	
Silloway, Earl		22.50	
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	\$		1,752.15

## UNSELECTED ROADS — (Continued)

### Material and Use of Equipment:

Barnaby, Forrest	\$ 2.40	
Brooks, W. I.	27.00	
Brown, Bernard	6.00	
Equipment Account, for Use of Equipment	634.20	
Gibson, John	2.00	
Prescott, R. K.	43.00	
Sargent, Frank	9.00	
Stillman, John	9.20	
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		732.80

### Trucking:

Prescott, R. K.	105.30	
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	\$ 2,590.25	

## PERMANENT HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

Gile S. Kendall, Commissioner

### Receipts

Unexpended Balance	\$ 285.55	
Interest on Morrill Bonds	86.25	
State of Vermont	14,697.25	
Taxpayers, 90c on Grand List	4,759.44	
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	\$ 19,828.49	

### Disbursements

#### Labor:

Brown, Frank	\$ 118.75	
Brown, Roger	80.00	
Coburn, C. J.	21.60	
Coburn, Philip	14.50	
Dezan, Joseph	241.05	
Druge, F. C.	513.50	
Durkee, James	20.00	

# PERMANENT HIGHWAY ACCOUNT — (Continued)

Durkee, John E.	168.00	
Eastburn, S. W.	121.00	
Harrington, H. W.	278.30	
Hayes, J. L.	2.80	
Hoyt, Philip H.	18.50	
Kendall, Dean	315.10	
Kendall, Gile D.	44.60	
Kendall, Gile S.	573.75	
Lewis, Delwin	160.85	
Perkins, Ralph	10.35	
Reed, M. J.	520.85	
Rikert, Irving	63.35	
Rikert, Ray	54.45	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,341.30

## Labor with Equipment:

Brooks, W. I., use of compres- sor	\$ 213.50	
Cook, Leonard, self and back hoe	119.00	
	<hr/>	332.50

## Material:

Appalachian Sulphides, Inc., blasting supplies	\$ 236.22	
Barrett Division, asphalt	2,858.57	
Blacktop, Inc., asphalt	140.74	
Brooks, W. I., gravel	329.90	
Brown, Bernard, gravel loaded	16.25	
Colonial Sand & Gravel Co., washed sand and pea gravel	2,072.02	
New England Metal Culvert Co., culverts	949.94	
	<hr/>	6,603.64

## Patrol:

Coburn, Carroll	\$ 152.49	
State Treasurer	1,218.85	
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## State Highway Labor with Equip- ment:

State Treasurer	1,347.64
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## PERMANENT HIGHWAY ACCOUNT — (Continued)

### Trucking:

Brooks, W. I.	\$ 39.60	
Danforth, Rudolph	158.40	
Kendall, G. S.	764.55	
McCulloch, Charles	215.60	
McCulloch, Dwight	259.60	
Orr, Don	449.45	
Prescott, R. K.	1,020.80	
Rogers, Carleton	242.00	
Whitney, Warren	158.40	
	<hr/>	3,308.40

### Use of Equipment:

Bulldozer	\$ 959.25	
Grader	132.00	
Loader	954.30	
Transfer of Funds	100.00	
Truck No. 1	434.85	
Truck No. 2	192.40	
	<hr/>	2,772.80

### Unexpended Balance

\$ 19,077.62
<hr/> 750.87
<hr/> \$ 19,828.49

## LIBRARY ACCOUNT

### Selectmen, Trustees

#### Receipts:

Balance	\$	13.16	
Appropriation		200.00	
Sale of Books		10.00	
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	\$		223.16

#### Disbursements:

Bacon, Robert L., Sec.	\$	4.50
Campbell & Hall, Inc.		5.42
Cosmopolitan		8.40
Demco Library Supplies		.90
Department of Education		1.95
Doubleday		2.80
Dutton & Co., E. P.		1.50
Gaylord Bros., Inc.		19.37
Jack & Jill		4.00
Judd, Carrie R., Librarian		100.00
National Geographic Society		6.00
Reader's Digest Association		9.00
Shelburne Museum, Inc.		2.10
South Royalton High School		10.50
The American Home		6.00
The H. R. Huntting Co., Inc.		5.88
The Macmillan Co.		2.06
Thetford Academy		12.00
Vermont Historical Society		3.00
Vermont Life		2.50

	\$	207.88	
Balance		15.28	
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	\$		223.16

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

### Receipts

1956		Balance, Check Book, January 1, 1956	\$ 619.69
Apr. 1		U. S. Treasury	48.30
Jun. 1		U. S. Treasury	62.50
Oct. 1		U. S. Treasury	48.30
Nov. 14		Scarsdale, N. Y., School District	45.00
Dec. 1		U. S. Treasury	62.50
	24	Scarsdale, N. Y., School District	45.00
	31	Town of Strafford	120.00
	31	Check Outstanding 1955	4.40
			\$ 1,055.69

### Disbursements

1956			
Feb. 14		Town of Strafford, to apply on Newton School	400.00
Sep. 25		First National Bank, rent of Safe Deposit Box	4.40
			\$ 404.40
Balance, December 31, 1956			651.29
			\$ 1,055.69

### Investments

U. S. Government Bonds	\$ 8,500.00
Scarsdale, N. Y., School District 4½% Bonds, due 1969	2,000.00
Town of Strafford, 3%	4,000.00
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	\$ 14,500.00

WILLIAM B. MOBUS,

ROSA B. TYSON,

Trustees.

# DELINQUENT TAX LIST, JANUARY 1, 1957

	1951		
Dezan, Maurice J.		\$	19.55
	1952		
Dezan, Maurice J.		\$	20.15
Waite, Warren C.			9.75
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			29.90
	1953		
Braley, Carl		\$	10.20
Dezan, Clara			10.20
Dezan, Maurice J.			31.70
Goodell, Ida			10.20
Hosmer, Ralph E. & M. M.			27.91
Perkins, Howard			10.20
Perkins, Marguerite M.			10.20
Race, Wendell R. & A. C.			27.94
Tuller, Wendell F.			10.20
Waite, Warren C.			10.20
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			158.95
	1954		
Dezan, Clara		\$	10.30
Dezan, Maurice J.			32.10
Goodwin, Ernest C.			10.30
Hosmer, Ralph E. & M. M.			50.75
Lands, Leo E.			10.30
Lands, Pauline B.			10.30
Livingston, George			10.30
Livingston, Hazel			10.30
Manning, Arvin C. & E. J.			101.17
Race, Gail			10.30
Race, Wendell R. & A. C.			27.24
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			283.36
	1955		
Dezan, Clara		\$	10.30
Dezan, Maurice J.			32.10
Fellows, Walter G.			76.54
Hosmer, Ralph E. & M. M.			44.24
Manning, Arvin C. & E. J.			79.25
Moses, Gardner M.			54.43
Race, Wendell R. & Ada C.			21.80

# DELINQUENT TAX LIST — (Continued)

Webb, Wendell A.	8.98	
	<hr/>	327.64

	1956	
Anderson, Arthur & A.	\$ 4.82	
Berghorn, C. William	159.05	
Boardman, Herbert N.	8.00	
Butler, B. J.'s Est.	23.90	
Cushman, Richard D.	43.78	
Dezan, Clara M.	13.00	
Dezan, Maurice J.	13.00	
Donahue, Delia & Peter's Est.	83.13	
Durkee, James C.	13.00	
Durkee, John E. & D. E.	23.90	
Gilley, Charles & F. N.	14.36	
Grow, Burns A.'s Est.	8.00	
Hood, Leo E.	2.04	
Hook, Clarence W. & M. G.	21.25	
Hosmer, Ralph E. & M. M.	60.47	
Hoyt, Philip H. & Mary C. Colby	23.90	
Hoyt, Philip H., Mary C. Colby & Earl H. Cummings	155.08	
Manning, Alfred D.	5.48	
Manning, Arvin C. & E. J.	134.80	
McCreary, Ruth C.	8.00	
Moses, Gardner M.	52.92	
Palmer, Stephen B. & E. R.	15.95	
Pickett, William J.	60.07	
Race, Wendell R. & A. M.	23.90	
Rogers, Ernest H.	13.00	
Rogers, Patricia A.	13.00	
Sanborn, Paul D. & E. M.	6.01	
Simcox, William's Est.	15.95	
	<hr/>	1,019.76
Grand Total		\$ 1,839.16

## STRAFFORD FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

Our Association's year commences June 1st; however, for a better understanding in regard to our financial position, we here use the Town fiscal year, and the figures below represent a true account of our financial standing as of December 31, 1956.

### Receipts

Balance on hand	\$	725.35	
Tax Voted 1956, 15c on Grand List		793.24	
Donations		128.00	
Extinguishers Sold		78.00	
Earnings, Barbecue, Etc.		474.72	
		<hr/>	\$ 2,199.31

### Disbursements

Fuel Oil	\$	288.28	
Insurance		259.50	
Extinguishers		304.84	
Paid on Siren		301.56	
Garage Floor and Doors		170.20	
Electricity		53.52	
Truck Maintenance		188.38	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,566.28
Balance on hand			633.03
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			\$ 2,199.31

The members of the Association are deeply grateful for the support given by the people of the Town. On our part we have tried to render the best service possible with the equipment at our disposal.

We have opened our club room for the accommodation of the Thetford Academy students as a warm and convenient place in which to wait for the bus. It is also a meeting place for the Selectmen and other Town officers.

Looking toward the coming year we anticipate the need of some replacement hose, about 300 feet of 2½-inch hose, some new nozzles, added to the usual expenses, will call for a budget of about \$1,800.00.

Always ready for your call, we remain,

THE STRAFFORD FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.,  
 WILLIAM B. MOBUS, President,  
 GEORGE E. BASSINGTHWAIGHTE,  
 Secretary.

### DOG ACCOUNT

Remember to license your dog ON or BEFORE April 1st.  
 ALL dogs should be licensed when they become four months old.

101 dogs at \$2.00 (males and spayed females)	\$ 202.00
18 dogs at 6.00 (females)	108.00
1 dog at 9.00 (female paid after April 1st)	9.00
4 dogs at 3.00 (\$2.00 dogs paid after April 1st)	12.00
1 dog at 1.00 (\$2.00 dog paid after Oct. 1st)	1.00
<b>Amount Received</b>	<b>\$ 332.00</b>
<b>125 fees at \$0.25</b>	<b>31.25</b>
<b>Credited to General Account</b>	<b>\$ 300.75</b>

Respectfully submitted,

L. IRENE CHANDLER,  
 Town Clerk.

## REPORT OF THE VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Public health means organized community effort to prevent disease, prolong life and increase physical and emotional well-being. A team of public health people from the State Department of Health last year assisted your health officer, doctor and other local citizens in maintaining the health of Strafford. Here is an account of some health services requested or available from members of this team which includes a bacteriologist, chemist, dentist, engineer, health educator, public health nurse, nutritionist, physician, psychologist, sanitarian, social worker, and a statistician.

Crippled Children's Clinics, attendance:	5
Child Guidance Clinics:	Service Rendered
Tumor Clinics, attendance:	*
Medical Social Consultation:	*
Polio Immunizations, number in clinics and doctors' offices: †	211
Pre-School Health Conferences:	1
Attendance:	46
Chest Clinic X-rays:	7
Industrial Hygiene X-rays:	200
Financial Assistance with Hospitalization for Diagnosis or Treatment:	—
Pediatric Medical Consultation:	—
Dental Consultation:	—
Nutrition Consultation:	—
Survey of Community Health Problems:	—
Vital Registration Consultation:	—
Food and Lodging Establishments Consultations or Inspections:	6
Hospital, Nursing Home Consultations or Inspections:	—
Water, Sewage, School Building, Other Environmental Health Problems Consultations:	7
Industrial Health Services Consultations or Inspections:	1
Water Samples Analyzed:	2

Blood Specimens Analyzed:	* *
Other Specimens Like Throat Swabs Analyzed:	* *
Vaccines Like Polio, Typhoid, Other Biologicals:	* *

† Cumulative total to November 30, 1956.

\* Indicates a number less than 5.

\* \* Services probably given, but recorded for Town where your doctor, hospital or nursing home is located.

This public health team is on call to work with you on Strafford's health problems. For further information about health department services, write to Commissioner of Health R. B. Aiken, M.D. A bi-monthly health information bulletin reviewing selected health activities in Vermont may also be had on request.

The services rendered by the Department's Public Health Nurse in your community are reviewed elsewhere in this town report.

Your local Health Officer stands ready to assist in any problems concerning public health — either personally, or when necessary by making the appropriate contact with the State Department of Health.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT B. AIKEN, M.D., M.P.H.  
Commissioner of Health.

WILLIAM F. PUTNAM, M.D.,  
Health Officer,  
Town of Strafford.

**REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING DIVISION**  
**VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**  
**STRAFFORD**

I herewith submit a report of PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING ACTIVITIES carried on in the town of Strafford by the Vermont Health Department during 1956.

These activities fall into three categories:

1. Clinics and Conferences; one was held in Strafford.
2. Visits to Homes and Schools; 109 were made in Strafford.
3. Other Visits; 15 were made in Strafford.

Clinics were of three types — Well Child Medical Conferences, Polio Immunization Clinics, and Chest X-ray Clinics.

Well Child Medical Conferences offer an opportunity for physical examination and immunization against smallpox, diphtheria and tetanus. Whooping cough immunization is included for children under six. One of these conferences was held under the sponsorship of the Parent - Teacher Association for children under six. Forty-six children attended and were examined by Dr. W. F. Putnam. They received a total of 43 immunizations. Children under six and those in the lower grades are selected to attend these conferences so that physical defects can be found before they become serious and so that immunizations can be completed before school age. Even though many children receive their initial immunizations from their family physician during their first year they do need boosters by school age.

The Polio Vaccination Clinic Program was continued in 1956 so that now everyone from birth to age 19 has had an opportunity to receive polio vaccine. A large percentage of children has received at least two doses of this vaccine,

either in clinics in Strafford or Norwich, or in their physician's office. Some younger children have had three doses.

Both types of clinics were made possible by volunteers, nurses and others, who assumed responsibility for necessary arrangements, and by the interest and cooperation of Miss Nancy Hewson, R.N., and Dr. Putnam, who spent many hours working at clinics.

Chest X-ray Clinics in Barre, Randolph and White River Junction were attended by Strafford people who were referred by their physician because they have had tuberculosis, have symptoms suspicious of tuberculosis, or have been exposed to it.

It has been noticeable during the past year that an increasing number of perplexing health problems has been referred to the Public Health Nurse by physicians, school personnel and parents. While it has not been possible to solve all of them, the nurse has tried to help, either from her own knowledge or by referring them to other divisions of the Health Department, or to other agencies such as the Vermont Association for the Crippled, the Vermont Association for the Blind, and the Vermont Department of Social Welfare. We welcome these opportunities to be of service and hope that referrals will continue to be made.

The Public Health Nurse for Strafford is Mrs. Queenie Temple, R.N., who may be reached by mail at Stockbridge. Messages may also be left for her by calling Bethel 4-4441 between 8:00 and 9:00 A. M., Monday through Friday.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY M. ALLEN, R.N.,  
Public Health  
Nursing Supervisor.

## VITAL STATISTICS — 1956

### Marriages

- 1956
- Jan. 21 Ralph H. Ward, Strafford, and Marlene A. Ruddy, Strafford, at Strafford.
- Apr. 7 Roger G. Tozier, East Hartford, Conn., and Janet E. Mobus, Strafford, at Strafford.
- Jun. 16 Donald V. Jennings, Poultney, and Frances P. Hood, Strafford, at Norwich.
- Aug. 31 Donald S. Reynolds, Strafford, and Elizabeth L. Rikert, Strafford, at Strafford.
- Sep. 16 (a) Conrad H. Orr, Vershire, and Jessie E. Mac-lay, Strafford, at Strafford.  
22 Leslie M. Hood, Strafford, and Zelma E. M. Row-ell, Tunbridge, at Tunbridge.  
22 Stuart C. Coburn, Strafford, and Inez L. Bailey, Thetford, at Union Village.  
29 Arnold C. Jock, Strafford, and Ruth M. F. Al-drich, Sharon, at Sharon.  
(a) Reported from Vershire, Vt.

### Deaths

- 1956
- Sep. 11 (a) Mark C. Perkins, 72 years.
- Oct. 8 Arnold C. Jock, 24 years.  
13 Peter Donahue, 72 years.  
27 (a) Bertha L. Martin, 78 years.  
31 (b) Frank C. Clough, 70 years.
- Dec. 16 Mildred M. Linton, 52 years.  
(a) Reported from Randolph, Vt.  
(b) Reported from Hartford, Vt.

### Births

- 1955
- Oct. 30 (a) Richard Chandler, Jr., son to Richard C. and Marion E. (Robinson) Rice, Sr.
- 1956
- Jan. 21 (b) Sherrie Ann, daughter to Edwin C. and Fransec N. (Wood) Clark.

- 26 (b) Kenneth Alan, son to Lawrence H. and Lois E. (Bragg) Butler.
- Feb. 8 (c) Cheryl Ann, daughter to Roy L. and Charlotte E. (Mace) Durkee.
- 11 (c) Roxie Arlene, daughter to Larry B. and Bernece A. (MacDonald) Cook.
- 23 (c) Ann Marie, daughter to Maynard B. and Shirley A. E. (Delphia) Foley.
- 26 (c) Ernest George, son to Nelson A. and Nina M. (Downing) Lyford.
- Mar. 28 (c) Laura Rachel, daughter to James G. and Marguerite S. (Lewis) Condict.
- 29 (c) Sarah Lee, daughter to Richard W. and Elizabeth (Chapman) Root.
- Apr. 13 (b) Robin Rae, daughter to Ralph E. and Mabel M. (Nelson) Hosmer.
- 22 (b) William Jay, son to Wendell A. and Madine M. (Flinn) Webb.
- Jul. 11 (c) Dixie Lee, daughter to Charles H. and Geraldine A. (Gould) Brown.
- Aug. 20 (b) Roderick Joseph, II, son to Roderick J. and Janet J. (Bacon) Maclay.
- Sep. 4 (c) Mark Duane, son to Duane P. and Doris A. (Taylor) Avery.
- 28 (b) Karen Marie, daughter to Ernest H. and Patricia A. (Clogston) Rogers.
- Oct. 2 (c) Richard Thomas, son to Richard T. and Mildred Ann (Sleeper) Bueschel, Jr.
- 27 (b) Bonnie Lee, daughter to Charles B. and Maybelle M. (Russell) McCrillis.
- 28 (b) Neil Eric, son to Leon H. and Charlotte A. (Wright) Hayes.
- Nov. 1 (c) Raymond Richard, son to Richard G. and June R. (Manning) Chamberlin.
- 16 (d) Brian Kendall, son to Kendall H. and Mary (Josler) Odell.
- (a) Reported from Barre, Vt., March 28, 1956.
- (b) Reported from Lebanon, N. H.
- (c) Reported from Hanover, N. H.
- (d) Reported from Montpelier, Vt.

Annual Report

of the

School Board

for the

Town School District

of

Strafford, Vermont

## **TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**L. I. Chandler, Treasurer**

#### **Receipts**

Unexpended Balance	\$12,013.90
Lease Land Rent	85.22
Loans	12,000.00
Newton Fund	400.00
State Aid	14,315.79
Taxpayers, Property, Personal and Poll	24,326.04
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	\$ 63,186.61

#### **Expenditures**

School Directors' Orders	52,248.68
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Balance	\$ 10,937.93

### **SOUTH STRAFFORD SCHOOL BUILDING 3% INTEREST BEARING ORDERS OUTSTANDING**

**JANUARY 1, 1957**

Ashley, Doris J.	\$ 590.00
Brown, G. K. or L. M.	590.00
Coburn, F. T. or M. B.	590.00
Colby, A. J. or G. E.	590.00
Ordway, Trustee and Treasurer, R. H.	590.00
Pixley, I. O. or G. B.	708.00
Prescott, R. K. or B. C.	590.00
Robinson, R. E. or A. C.	590.00
Sargent, A. L. or M. R.	590.00
Sargent, E. H., Co. Treasurer	472.00
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	\$ 5,900.00

# SCHOOL FUND

## ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES — 1956

	Jan. 1, to Jun. 30, '56	July 1, to Dec. 31, '56	Total 1956
<b>1. GENERAL CONTROL</b>			
<b>Superintendent — Salary</b>			
Parker, A. C.	\$ 426.00	\$ 434.70	\$ 860.70
<b>2. INSTRUCTION AND TUITION</b>			
<b>Teachers' Salaries</b>			
Burbank, Eunice	\$ 1,411.10	\$ 1,062.53	\$ 2,473.63
Camp, Irene	1,388.90	1,143.36	2,532.26
Chandler, Irene	15.00	15.00	30.00
Dresser, Betty	30.00	.....	30.00
Giles, Etta	1,388.90	1,133.36	2,522.26
Hull, Hilda	10.00	800.04	810.04
Parish, Rose	1,250.01	.....	1,250.01
Rikert, Doris	.....	50.00	50.00
Sheedy, Rose	1,388.90	1,133.36	2,522.26
Stone, Helen	1,444.40	1,177.76	2,622.16
Webster, Jean	208.34	.....	208.34
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,535.55</b>	<b>\$ 6,515.41</b>	<b>\$15,050.96</b>
<b>Tuition</b>			
<b>Elementary</b>			
Town of Tunbridge	\$ 230.00	\$ .....	\$ 230.00
<b>Secondary</b>			
Hanover School District	112.50	132.50	245.00
Hartford School District	245.00	132.50	377.50
Mt. Assumption Institute	245.00	.....	245.00
Royalton School District	2,366.00	.....	2,366.00
Thetford Academy	5,390.21	2,840.00	8,230.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,358.71</b>	<b>\$ 3,105.00</b>	<b>\$11,463.71</b>
<b>Text Books</b>			
Allyn & Bacon	\$ 1.00	\$ 3.28	\$ 4.28
American Book Company	.....	12.09	12.09
Charles E. Merrill Co.	1.96	.....	1.96
Charles Scribner's Sons	.....	2.95	2.95
F. A. Owen & Co.	.....	5.04	5.04
Ginn & Company	21.32	2.98	24.30
Harcourt Brace & Co., Inc.	.....	3.28	3.28

	Jan. 1, to Jun. 30, '56	July 1, to Dec. 31, '56	Total 1956
E. M. Hale & Co.	.....	23.40	23.40
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	.....	22.58	22.58
J. L. Hammett Co.	.....	5.41	5.41
Lyons & Carahan	.....	48.57	48.57
The Macmillan Co.	131.66	77.24	208.90
The National Survey	.....	3.00	3.00
Row, Peterson & Co.	.....	2.77	2.77
Scott, Foresman & Co.	.....	3.32	3.32
Silver Burdett Co.	21.51	69.45	90.96
Webster Publishing Co.	.....	3.35	3.35

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 177.45</b>	<b>\$ 288.71</b>	<b>\$ 466.16</b>
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#### Instructional Supplies

American Education Pub.	\$ 16.85	\$ 23.00	\$ 39.85
California Test Bureau	23.20	.....	23.20
The Educational Supply Co.	.....	7.52	7.52
Gledhill Bros.	8.56	.....	8.56
J. L. Hammett Co.	.....	156.50	156.50
The Macmillan Co.	.....	.87	.87
News Maps of the World, Inc.	.....	26.67	26.67
Office Supply Center, Inc.	4.75	.....	4.75
Varney, George I.	.....	204.01	204.01

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 53.36</b>	<b>\$ 418.57</b>	<b>\$ 471.93</b>
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### 3. OPERATION OF PLANT

#### Janitors' Wages

Coburn, Carol	\$ .....	\$ 48.00	\$ 48.00
Coburn, Marguerite	.....	14.97	14.97
Doyle, Bernice	410.00	363.00	773.00
Doyle, John	39.25	18.62	57.87
Kendall, Jessica	.....	14.11	14.11
Kendall, Pauline	60.00	.....	60.00

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 509.25</b>	<b>\$ 458.70</b>	<b>\$ 967.95</b>
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#### Fuel

Socony Mobil Oil Co.	\$ .....	\$ 391.15	\$ 391.15
Socony Vacuum Oil Co.	921.12	.....	921.12
Spaulding Oil Service	93.10	60.29	153.39
Strafford Firemen's Association	136.02	.....	136.02

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,150.24</b>	<b>\$ 451.44</b>	<b>\$ 1,601.68</b>
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	Jan. 1, to Jun. 30, '56	July 1, to Dec. 31, '56	Total 1956
<b>Light, Power</b>			
Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	\$ 169.63	\$ 73.80	\$ 243.43
<b>Office Supplies and Miscellaneous</b>			
Appalachian Sulphides, Inc. — fan	\$ 22.21	\$ .....	\$ 22.21
Brown, Frank H. — cutting hay	.....	12.00	12.00
Campbell, Clara — auditing School books	.....	2.50	2.50
Camp, Irene — oilcloth	2.45	.....	2.45
Chandler, Irene — recording deed	2.00	.....	2.00
Cross, R.	.....	103.40	103.40
Harrington, Howard — hauling rock and snow removal	.....	5.50	5.50
Ordway, Robert — auditing School books	.....	2.50	2.50
Strafford P. T. A. — one-half of telephone	50.00	.....	50.00
Tuttle Stationery Co. — paper	15.00	.....	15.00
U. S. Post Office Department — envelopes	19.27	.....	19.27
Valley News — advertising for bus driver	.....	21.00	21.00
White River Valley Herald — advertising for bus driver	.....	2.63	2.63
Wood, Inc., L. P. — playground equipment	.....	10.15	10.15
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 110.93</b>	<b>\$ 159.68</b>	<b>\$ 270.61</b>

#### Transportation

Gomo, Elmer	\$ .....	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Josler, Jack	32.00	8.00	40.00
Manning, Arvin	162.00	.....	162.00
Lent, Harlow	16.00	8.00	24.00
Perkins, Ralph	756.40	701.44	1,457.84
Stone, Ernest	414.00	365.00	779.00
Town of Tunbridge	231.24	.....	231.24
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,611.64</b>	<b>\$ 1,102.44</b>	<b>\$ 2,714.08</b>

	Jan. 1, to Jun. 30, '56	July 1, to Dec. 31, '56	Total 1956
<b>Bus Maintenance</b>			
Motor Vehicle Department	\$ 30.00	\$ .....	\$ 30.00
LaMontagne Motor Sales — repairs on bus	.....	512.11	512.11
Prescott, R. K. — gas and tires	105.35	.....	105.35
Root, Richard — gas, etc.	261.67	141.28	402.95
Stone, Ernest — taking busses for inspection	21.23	.....	21.23
Varney, George I.	.....	220.85	220.85
Thetford Garage — repairs	76.59	26.80	103.39
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 494.84</b>	<b>\$ 901.04</b>	<b>\$ 1,395.88</b>

#### 4. MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

##### Repairs, Labor and Material

Cross, R. — repairs on Newton School	\$ .....	\$ 1,513.41	\$ 1,513.41
Cross, R. — teeter boards	.....	15.00	15.00
Perkins, Ralph	.....	18.00	18.00
Simonds, Howard	7.00	560.06	567.06
Turner, Ernest	.....	43.00	43.00
Varney, George I.	.....	10.01	10.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,159.48</b>	<b>\$ 2,166.48</b>

#### 5. FIXED CHARGES

##### Services

Maclay, Jessie	\$ 15.00	\$ 20.50	\$ 35.50
Robinson, Elmer — School Census 1955, and services	25.98	10.00	35.98
Stevens, Ralph — services as Clerk and Director	40.00	10.00	50.00
Vermont State School Direc- tors' Association	6.00	.....	6.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 86.98</b>	<b>\$ 40.50</b>	<b>\$ 127.48</b>

##### Insurance

American Fidelity Co.	\$ .....	\$ 50.71	\$ 50.71
Co-operative Fire Ins. Co.	.....	6.30	6.30
Sleeper, Milo	11.10	174.01	185.11
The Patrons Co-operative Fire Insurance Co.	.....	97.50	97.50

	Jan. 1, to Jun. 30, '56	July 1, to Dec. 31, '56	Total 1956
Vermont Mutual Fire Insur- ance Co.	.....	109.44	109.44
Total	\$ 11.10	\$ 437.96	\$ 449.06

## 6. DEBT SERVICE

### Loan Reduction

Brown, George K. or L. M.	\$ 40.00	\$ .....	\$ 40.00
Coburn, F. T. or M. B.	40.00	.....	40.00
Colby, A. J. or G. E.	40.00	.....	40.00
First National Bank	.....	12,000.00	12,000.00
Franklin County Savings Bank	.....	1,000.00	1,000.00
Huntley, G. B. or Doris J. Ash- ley	40.00	.....	40.00
Ordway, Trustee and Treasur- er, R. H.	40.00	.....	40.00
Pixley, I. O. or Gladys B.	48.00	.....	48.00
Prescott, R. K. or B. C.	40.00	.....	40.00
Robinson, R. E. or A. C.	40.00	.....	40.00
Sargent, A. L. or M. R.	40.00	.....	40.00
Sargent, County Treasurer, E. H.	32.00	.....	32.00
Total	\$ 400.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,400.00

### Interest on Loans

Brown, G. K. or L. M.	\$ 18.90	\$ .....	\$ 18.90
Coburn, F. T. or M. B.	18.90	.....	18.90
Colby, A. J. or G. E.	18.90	.....	18.90
First National Bank	42.77	111.80	154.57
Franklin County Savings Bank	12.50	12.50	25.00
Huntley, G. B. or Doris J. Ash- ley	18.90	.....	18.90
Ordway, Trustee and Treasur- er, R. H.	18.90	.....	18.90
Pixley, I. O. or Gladys B.	22.68	.....	22.68
Prescott, R. K. or B. C.	18.90	.....	18.90
Robinson, R. E. or A. C.	18.90	.....	18.90
Sargent, A. L. or M. R.	18.90	.....	18.90
Sargent, County Treasurer, E. H.	15.12	.....	15.12
Total	\$ 244.27	\$ 124.30	\$ 368.57

# SUMMARY

## SCHOOL FUND EXPENDITURES — 1956

		Jan. 1, to Jun. 30, '56	July 1, to Dec. 31, '56	Total 1956
1. General Control	Total	\$ 426.00	\$ 434.70	\$ 860.70
2. Instruction and Tuition				
Teachers Salaries		\$ 8,535.55	\$ 6,515.41	\$15,050.96
Tuition — Elementary		230.00	.....	230.00
Secondary		8,358.71	3,105.00	11,463.71
Text Books		177.45	288.71	466.16
Instructional Supplies		53.36	418.57	471.93
	Total	\$17,355.07	\$10,327.69	\$27,682.76
3. Operation of Plant				
Janitors' Wages		\$ 509.25	\$ 458.70	\$ 967.95
Fuel		1,150.24	451.44	1,601.68
Light, Power		169.63	73.80	243.43
Office Supplies and Miscellaneous		110.93	159.68	270.61
Transportation		1,611.64	1,102.44	2,714.08
Bus Maintenance		494.84	901.04	1,395.88
	Total	\$ 4,046.53	\$ 3,147.10	\$ 7,193.63
4. Maintenance of Plant				
Repairs, Labor, Material	Total	\$ 7.00	\$ 2,159.48	\$ 2,166.48
5. Fixed Charges				
Services — Directors		\$ 86.98	\$ 40.50	\$ 127.48
Insurance		11.10	437.96	449.06
	Total	\$ 98.08	\$ 478.46	\$ 576.54
6. Debt Service				
Loan Reduction		\$ 400.00	\$13,000.00	\$13,400.00
Interest on Loans		244.27	124.30	368.57
	Total	\$ 644.27	\$13,124.30	\$13,768.57
GRAND TOTAL		\$22,576.95	\$29,671.73	\$52,248.68

## SCHOOL BUDGET

Meeting held at Newton School, January 2, 1957. Elmer Robinson, Jessie Maclay, Ralph Stevens present.

Capital Outlay	\$ 1,000.00
Superintendent	950.00
Teachers' Salaries	16,000.00
Tuition — Elementary	300.00
Secondary	11,500.00
Text Books	500.00
Instructional Supplies	500.00
Janitors' Wages	900.00
Fuel	1,500.00
Light, Power, Water	250.00
Transportation	4,000.00
Services, Directors	100.00
Insurance	500.00
Interest on Loans	350.00
Maintenance of Plant	1,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 39,850.00</b>

1. Increase of \$2,293.00 over current year estimated budget.
2. It is still necessary to have five teachers in the Newton School for overflow of first and second grades.
3. State authorities have recommended an increase in the salaries of Superintendent and teachers. Our estimate is based on the present salaries.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

1. Repairs to the school this year included repairs to the outside walls of the first and second and the third and fourth grade rooms.

Four new toilets were installed for the first four grades.

The furnace was enclosed in fire-proof walls.

2. The final payment was made on the Dodge Bus. A new motor was installed in the Dodge Bus.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER ROBINSON,  
JESSIE MACLAY,  
RALPH STEVENS.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Directors and Citizens of Strafford:

This report is for the school year ending June 30, 1956, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

The Strafford schools were maintained for 170 days. One hundred forty-five resident pupils were enrolled with an average daily attendance of 122.84. Forty-six pupils attended high school in other towns. The average cost per pupil was, for the elementary school \$254.90, for high school \$244.59. Eighty-nine elementary pupils were transported at an average cost of \$73.49 per pupil.

The total number of different pupils enrolled in the elementary school was 145; 92 were promoted, 14 promoted conditionally, 12 not promoted, 24 transferred to other schools, and three dropped out of school. The percentage of attendance for the year was 93.5.

I am grateful to the Parent - Teacher Association for sponsoring the school lunch program at the Newton School, and to the other organizations, teachers and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. COURTNEY PARKER,  
Superintendent of Schools.

